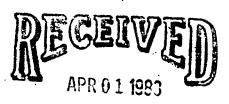


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DIVISION OF OIL, GAS & MINING

Re: Continued Suspension of Sahara Mine, ACT/0/5/0/6 Glade Pit Reclamation, ACT/037/015

Dear Mr. Tetting:

In response to your February 3, 1983 letter related to the interim reclamation measures to be done at the Sahara Mine, I am pleased to inform you that the following activities have been completed:

- 1. A distinct channel has been constructed to allow water discharge from the mine to flow directly into the evaporation ponds. The route of this discharge requires weekly maintenance during the "rainy season" in order to prevent the mixing of natural drainage with mine discharge water.
- 2. The erosional incisions within the evaporation pond walls have been repaired and this condition will be monitored to prevent reoccurrence.
- The discharge valves within the dikes between evaporation ponds have been lubricated and checked to assure their integrity.
- 4. Attached are copies of several water quality analysis for the Division's file.

I trust that the completion of these interim reclamation measures is satisfactory to the Division and that the additional two year suspension period for the Sahara Mine will be granted.

With respect to the Glade Pit Reclamation, approximatly 50% of the required reclamation work was completed in the late summer and fall of 1982. Poor weather conditions forced us to suspend the activities. Our current plans are to complete the



work starting as soon as weather conditions allow in the late spring of 1983. We anticipate no problems in completing the required work.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call me.

Very truly yours,

Harold R. Roberts

Senior Project Engineer

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